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TENDERS FOR DAM.

SEALED TENDERS for the construction of a Dam and Weir on the Capilano river for the Vancouver Water Works Company will be received by the undersigned up to noon on Friday, the 20th of January, 1888.

Plans and specifications can be seen and forms of tender obtained on application at the office of the Company, Vancouver, on and after Tuesday, 27th day of December, 1887.

No tender will be received except on one of the printed forms, with the schedule of quantities correctly priced and moneyed out, nor unless accompanied with a certified cheque payable to the undersigned as Secretary of the Company, for an amount equal to five per cent. of the total amount of tender. Each tender to be marked "Tender for Dam," and addressed to the undersigned.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

It is recommended that each person bidding shall visit the site personally, or by competent agent, ascertain the character of the river as to floods, low water, etc., and obtain all the information necessary to enable him to make an intelligent proposal.

Bidders will state whether these recommendations have been complied with.

All available information will be given on application at the office of the Company, Vancouver.

J. W. McFARLAND,
Secretary Vancouver Water Works Co.
Vancouver, Dec. 23, 1887. dec23 td

"Land Registry Ordinance 1870."

LOT NO. 1120 VICTORIA CITY.

WHEREAS the Certificate of Title of Margaret Gunoode, formerly of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, to the above mentioned Lot bearing date the 24th day of September, 1861, has been lost and application has been made for a duplicate of such certificate. Notice is therefore hereby given that such duplicate will be issued unless cause be shown to the contrary, in writing, within one month from the date hereof.

CHARLES JAS. LEGGATT,
Registrar-General.
Land Registry Office, Victoria, 28th Dec. 1887.

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BRITAIN AND RUSSIA.

Speculation Concerning Lord Randolph Churchill's Visit to the Czar of Russia.

A Remarkable Coincidence—The Telegraph Wires Interfered with—Crimean War.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—While confidence is still professed in high official quarters here that peace will be maintained, the writer is informed that great and increasing misgivings really prevail. The British embassadors abroad may communicate their suspicions and opinions, but they know nothing of the secret springs of action at either Gatschina or Berlin. The newspaper, with its myriad sources of information and its vigilant representatives in every circle, has far surer means of ascertaining the truth than any embassy or legation. The British Government is fairly well served by its diplomatists. That is to say, they mean well, though they are no match for the Russians or even the Germans. None of them communicated anything about the recall of Count Corte until the rumors begin to appear in the newspapers.

The government hears of many events which never happen, but apart from interesting assays and speculating the costly staff of embassadors is not worth a straw as a news collecting agency. Lord Salisbury probably gets more information every morning from the papers than he can extract from the Foreign Office dispatch box.

Within the last few days the belief has gained ground among officials that war is now inevitable. Some maintain that Bismarck is quietly forcing on the issue as he did upon Napoleon. Others see reasons for thinking that the Czar has made up his mind that the great struggle had better come now than later on. Of compromises, which settled nothing, he has had enough, and the adoption of a Fabian policy has thus far proved an injury to him and an advantage to his enemies. If Russia is to wield control over the Balkan peninsula now is the time to strike. Such is believed to be the Czar's opinion, and there is no Parliament or Constitution to prevent him from taking measures to carry his conclusions into effect. As regards the position of England, one of the most significent circumstances is that during the last few days the Ministerial journals have entirely ceased to scatter hints about moving the English fleet and backing up Austria. That line was dropped at the very time Lord Randolph Churchill was announced to be in St. Petersburg—a curious coincidence. Then the underground wires were set in motion for fear that any one should suppose that Churchill's movements could influence the Ministry. Paragraphs were accidentally inserted in newspapers suggesting that the Government may possibly have sent the ex-Chancellor of the Exchequer on a mission to the Czar. There are people who will swallow anything, and some absolutely swallowed that. It was about as likely that Lord Churchill would accept a mission to Russia from Lord Salisbury as that Lord Salisbury would offer it to him. Two greater improbabilities could not be found in the whole field of politics. If the Government believes that it can get on at home as well without Churchill as with him, it is not very likely to be persuaded that it needs him in handling foreign affairs. Lord Churchill went to Russia because he had a curiosity to see the country and it was hardly likely that the Russian Government would allow him to wander about unnoticed. That he had no official mission one will see when it is remembered that down to the hour of his departure the ministerial journals announced that he was going to Spain to-day. All clubland is asking what is the meaning of the Czar in inviting Churchill to a special interview. Was it done to please Lord Salisbury? Yes, there are people not in asylums who are actually capable of putting that question. The Czar and his visitor was not thinking of what Lord Salisbury would like or dislike. What they talked about will probably make itself visible in future events. One thing is certain; the Czar shows that he is a more astute politician than many men in England, who have settled once for all that Churchill is an extinct volcano.

Nothing more is said about sending the British fleet to act informally with Italy or Austria, and the Czar and Lord Randolph have had a long conversation together, the Russian Foreign Minister having first had several interviews with the young English statesman.

It may suit some persons to exaggerate these incidents, others to make light of them. In any case, they will bear fruit. It was very wise on the Czar's part to have a frank talk with one Englishman, who, next to Gladstone, can impress vast masses of his countrymen. It was doubly wise if the Czar knew that the British Government was being led or pushed into an understanding of any kind with Austria, for then Russia will no longer be at the mercy of any English paper, inspired only by the enemies of Russia. The case of Russia now has a chance of receiving due attention. Though, but the voice of one man may at first take it up, the voice, however, can reach a long way.

The Crimean war might easily have been prevented by an instrumentality not more potent. It is sometimes said that the Czar is mad. Evidently he has his lucid intervals; possibly he is only mad nor'west. It all comes to this. If he hears no more of an Austrian alliance against Russia, with England started on the incline plan which leads to war, we shall probably hear no more of Lord Randolph's historic visit to the Czar. If, on the contrary, the Austrian sentiment is seen in front of the British War Office, instead of on its own ramparts, a difference of opinion in this country may speedily manifest itself. War with Russia is not what the English people want. If Germany and Austria have their quarrel with the Czar, let them fight it out themselves. England has raked the chestnuts out of the fire for others often enough. The Democracy is now in power and it means to have peace until it is directly attacked. It will not attach one of its most trusted leaders for taking the pains to inform himself as to the true opinion and intentions of the Monarch who is accused of trying to precipitate a war upon Europe. The fable of the wolf and the lamb is perpetually being enacted on the great stage of politics, but this time Russia may not be playing the part of the wolf.

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YALE NEWS.

The Holidays—School Re-opened—Snow and the Weather.

Christmas and New Year's day were spent in a very quiet, unostentatious manner here, but the numerous guests and boarders at the Railroad House testify to the delicious fat turkeys, chickens, &c., which graced the hospitable board, and, as the Irishman would say, "greased their stomachs" as well.

Several inches of snow now deck the plain, but the weather is exceedingly mild for this time of the year, neither overcoats nor mittens being required on the street or on the road. Without doubt the climate of Yale is hard to beat. It has not the severity of the mountain district nor the excessive moisture of the coast.

Our school re-opened on Tuesday, seventeen pupils, including one Chinaman, being present, and Mr. Kinney still in charge. The prizes were distributed to the extreme delight of the children and in the presence of a few ladies and gentlemen who had assembled to witness the happy event.

H. Macdonald, Esq., the young man who took care of the late Jonathan Nutt during his illness, is in charge of the Government buildings here, and discharges the duties of the office with efficiency and entire satisfaction. May he long grace the position, is we believe the wish of all.

Mr. Kinney, our respected schoolmaster, returned from the terminal city on Saturday where he had been spending the holidays.

W. Teague, our worthy postmaster, has had a slight attack of erysipelas in the face, but was not inespacitated from the discharge of his official duties.

Yale, January 3.

POLICE COURT.

Miss Taylor was summoned for allowing a chimney to burn in a house on Fort street. Fined $1 and $2 costs.

Wing Kee, charged with allowing a chimney to burn in the Wing Kee cabins. Dismissed.

C. Smith was charged with conspiring to rob Thomas Gowdy. Officer Robb swore to the information which charged the prisoner with having a conversation with another man regarding the robbing of Mr. Gowdy, who was in the Prince of Wales Saloon on Government street. The prisoner was allowed out on his own recognizance to appear to-morrow.

A. Williams and Charles Mitchell, two associates of the prisoner Smith, failed to appear, and warrants were issued for their arrest.

NICOLA MINING DISTRICT.

To THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES:

SIR,—In your issue of Dec. 31st you publish a description of the "Nicola Mining District." Speaking of the "Star" mine you say the ore is of a refractory character. As nothing is said of the other mines on "Mineral hill" being refractory, the natural inference is that the "Star" is the only refractory mine there. The fact is that all the ore in "Mineral Hill" is refractory, the "Star" ore being very much less so than others. All ores that are not free milling are refractory. There is no difficulty about reducing any of the Nicola ores. Your item is not correct as to assay values. It is all nonsense to talk about veins averaging from $40 to $900 per ton. One is mentioned as being down 75 feet, and an average of 5 feet wide, of $350 ore. If there were such veins in the camp the ore dumps would show it. Let the truth be spoken about us and that is good enough. Such reports are not in the interest of honest mining. They show either ignorance of the facts or a desire to wilfully mistate for a purpose. Very respectfully,

GEO. HENDERSON.

Victoria, Jan. 2, 1887.

[NOTE—Our article on the Nicola mines was written by a gentleman well informed on the subject. It is true it was stated the ore of the "Star" was of a refractory character, but it was also stated: "The ore of all these claims is practically of the same character." It is not true, as Mr. Henderson writes, that the writer claimed that veins averaged from $40 to $900 per ton.—ED. TIMES.]

ANOTHER LIBEL SUIT.

David W. Higgins Enters an Action Against the Times.

THE TIMES Company was this afternoon served with a summons, in an action for libel, at the instance of Mr. David W. Higgins. We have not yet received the bill of particulars, and consequently are not aware what the ground of the complaint is. We must confess our surprise that the "retired proprietor" of the *Colonist* should take proceedings of this character. Above all other men in British Columbia he should be the last to be a complainant in a libel suit.

CABLE NEWS.

BOYCOTTERS CONVICTED.

DUBLIN, Jan. 5.—At Kanturk three prominent members of the local branch of the National League have been convicted under the Crimes Act of boycotting, and were sentenced to six months' imprisonment. They refused to serve Mr. Lader, their landlord, with provisions.

WORKING FOR PEACE.

PARIS, Jan. 5.—The bourse to-day was shaken by the announcement of the suspension of a large speculator in mining shares. All kinds of government securities, Russian and others, are firm in view of the constantly strengthening reaction in favor of peace. All reports from Vienna and Berlin indicate that all the influences are working vigorously for that end.

FRENCH MATTERS.

PARIS, June 1.—In the Senatorial elections to-day the results so far as heard from favors the Republicans.

VESSEL WRECKED.

LONDON, Jan. 5.—It is now known definitely that the vessel wrecked near Waterford, Ireland, was the American ship Fred. D. Snow, Capt. Willey, which left San Francisco August 31st for Liverpool.

Chinese Murderers.

Sheriff McMillan received a telegram from Ottawa to-day informing him that the sentence of death passed on Ah Fat will be carried into effect on the date fixed by the Chief Justice. The sentence of the other murderer, Lee Sam, has been commuted to imprisonment for life. The two Chinamen murdered a Chinese woman last summer and were convicted at the assizes held last November.

Cork Sole!

Boots, for Ladies and Gentlemen, at ERHARDT'S BOOT AND SHOE EMPORIUM, corner Government and Johnson Sts.

TO-DAY'S DISPATCHES.

Proposed Home Rule Meeting Proclaimed—The San Remo Sufferer Still Hopeful.

Boycotters Convicted in Dublin—Working for Peace—French Elections.

GERMAN POLITICAL POINTERS.

BERLIN, Jan. 3.—The *North German Gazette* denies that any court circle has proposed to establish a regency to meet the contingency of the sudden death of Emperor William and the inability of the Crown Prince to assume the reins of power. It is not true, the *Gazette* further says, that the Crown Prince consulted Baden statesmen on a proposal that he should abdicate. Although the *Gazette's* language is emphatic, the former statement, that the question of the abdication of the Crown Prince had been a subject of negotiation, remains authentic. The denial is understood to have been issued under a demand from San Remo.

Prince Bismarck has written a letter to Prince William, son of the Crown Prince, denying the reports that either he or Count Herbert Bismarck had any connection with the rumors regarding the Berlin mission meeting at Count Waldensea's house.

A papal encyclical of the Bavarian bishop urges better enforcement of the concordat. It says: "The church has observed her pledges. It is necessary to guard the religious education of youth. Secular schools are a danger to the state itself." The encyclical precedes a demand by the papal nuncio for extension of the rights of priests to regulate schools.

It is rumored that approaches made to Holland to join the triple alliance have been well received by the Dutch Government. A leading Hague newspaper, the *Dagblatt*, having semi-official relations with the government, advocates Holland joining the alliance.

The seehandlung has completed arrangements for establishing a German-Chinese bank, with a capital of 20,000,000 marks.

A decree has been published summoning the landtag to meet of the 18th inst.

FROM THE HOLY CITY.

ROME, Jan. 3.—The Pope addressed the pilgrims to-day in the presence of the whole court. After expressing joy at the cohesion of the Catholics, the Pope said: "We have not given faith to those, who with the voice of calumny, try to persuade you that the Pope is an enemy of Italy. The Popes have always been the greatest friends and benefactors of Italy. You, like ourselves, are convinced that the church, by her holy mission, ought to be independent of whatsoever terrestrin authority; that the church is a divine institution and that to try to reduce its interests to the question of the laws of Italy can only be the result of the most deplorable blindness." The address was greeted with enthusiastic applause.

His Holiness to-day granted an interview to Eugene Veuillot, a distinguished French writer. After speaking in high praise of his efforts in the Catholic cause, His Holiness expressed regret at the present sad position of France, but said he was confident that she would rise again to her old position in Christendom, and exercise unbounded influence in the world. He then referred to the state of Europe. He lamented the revolutionary spirit fermenting in many states, and said he was preparing two encyclicals dealing with socialism, the license of the press and the great power of universal suffrage, which he considers terribly menacing. His Holiness gives a jubilee gift of money to St. Peter's treasury, to be expended in propagandism. The artistic articles will be placed in the museum of the Vatican, and objects of worship in the vestry of St Peter's.

LONDON'S GOSSIP.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—The *Times* correspondent at St. Petersburg says the new finance minister in the budget estimates a surplus of several million pounds. This is partly due to a decrease in the military estimates. The minister's report to the Czar emphasizes the necessity of peace as a means of developing the country's resources.

The snow storm on the continent continues. Several railways are blockaded, compelling a stoppage of all traffic. At Bruenn eight Gypsies have been found frozen to death. At Vienna several women have perished from cold.

The Birmingham canal burst to-day at a point near Dudley. Hundred of families were rendered homeless by inundations.

From St. Petersburg comes the report that the coming fetes at the Palace Royal promises to be unusually brilliant.

The bountiful harvest in the northwest is leading British millers to consider the possibility of increased purchases of the Canadian hard wheat. The miller's leading trade organ urges the British millers, either themselves or by a deputy, to purchase the wheat in the Canadian Northwest direct from the growers and ship it direct to the British markets. It says there is now every reason except the want of co-operation by the Canadian Pacific Railway to make Manitoba and the Northwest the granary for British millers.

GERMANY'S PREPARATIONS.

BERLIN, Jan. 5.—In an interview with Bismarck to-day, Consul Von Todenburg, German consul at Paris, said he called to express his fears for Germany, its people and the immediate future. In reply Bismarck made an interesting statement with regard to the ability of the empire to resent foreign aggression. After listening rather impatiently to what his visitor had to say, the chancellor remarked: "Will the people never stop bothering me about the attitude of France and French preparation? Germany is stronger than France. We have nothing to fear except an unforseen and unjust attack from any quarter. Even then Germany is strong enough to resist the simultaneous act of two, or for that matter three combined powers." The chancellor, smilingly, added: "The best guarantee of peace is bad powder used for Lebel rifles."

HOPEFUL FOR HIS RECOVERY.

LONDON, Jan. 5.—Advices from San Remo speak of the health of the Crown Prince as excellent. Princess Victoria and all the members of the family begin to indulge in the hope that the throat disease is not cancerous, and that the Prince will survive it.

A PROPOSED MEETING PROCLAIMED.

LONDON, Jan. 5.—Private information states that at a meeting at which Herbert Gladstone was to speak at Dromore, County Tyrone, to-morrow, has been proclaimed.

AMERICAN NEWS.

BARK EUREKA LOST.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 5.—The bark Eureka, which was wrecked at the entrance of Waterford harbor, Ireland, yesterday and her crew of twenty-five persons lost, sailed from this city on the 28th August with a cargo of wheat valued at $116,890. The vessel was chartered by Wm. Dreebach.

SNOW SLIDE.

SALT LAKE, Jan. 5.—Three snow slides occurred here yesterday. The Anchor tunnel boarding house, with nine men in it, was swept away. All got out without serious injury.

Three Chinese were buried in the Daly mine boarding house, but were rescued. The weight of snow crushed the engine house at the Daly mine, almost burying the engineer, who, however, stuck to his lever and hauled up the cage with eighteen miners. Damage to Daly mine is about $5000, and the Anchor tunnel mine about the same.

SNOW BLOCKADE.

NOGALES, Ariz., Jan. 5.—Nearly one thousand carloads of freight blockaded at Denning.

MURDER AND PLUNDER.

NOGALES, Ariz., Jan. 5.—A gang of thieves and murderers have been operating for a long time in the village of Pardras Sinaloa. The latest crime committed was the strangling of an old lady named Vicente Hernandez, for her money. The thugs stabbed her twice after they had choked her to death, and crushed her head with an axe. They then robbed her of $1,000, the savings of eighteen years of hard labor. Varquez, prefect of the district, arrested two suspected characters. Upon being arrested they made a confession implicating the inspector of Parras, who had suddenly disappeared. They also accuse the Inspector of planning the murder and robbery of the old woman.

HEAVY FAILURE.

PARIS, Jan. 5.—The firm whose failure agitated the Bourse is estimated to have liabilities amounting to five million francs. Other failures are expected.

COAL FAMINE IN PHILADELPHIA.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 5.—It is stated today that unless matters mend early all coal dealers will be entirely out of stock by Saturday. Ashbridge & Co. assert that the Reading Railroad Co. has diverted a large quantity of their coal for their use in railroad engines. Another dealer reports that he lost ten carloads in the same manner. The company has made no denial and has notified dealers it will pay for all coal taken.

A RIVER LEAVES ITS BED.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Information has reached here that the Coquille river in Oregon has deflected its current at its mouth so as to change its channel from the Government jetty and endanger shipping. Congressman Hermann yesterday notified the engineering department, and has urged the necessity for increased estimates for additional improvement. General Duane at once communicated with local engineers in Oregon for a detailed report.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The meeting of the representatives of the United States and British Governments appointed to consider the fisheries question, which was to have been held at the state department to-morrow, has been postponed till the 7th inst.

It is reported that the Italian government is endeavoring, through its minister to this country, to make arrangements with American manufacturers of steel, for furnishing plates for Italian war vessels, the intention being to secure a source of steel supply outside of Europe in the event of war.

Senator Mitchell has given notice of his purpose to address the Senate on his resolution providing for a commission to select a site for a naval station on the Pacific coast.

POSTMASTERS RESIGNING.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Joseph Rankin, postmaster at Rankin, Lewis Co., W. T., has resigned, and James Russell has been appointed to his place. W. J. Wallace has been appointed postmaster at Patasa City, Garfield county, W. T., in the place of J. H. Wan, who has resigned. M. H. Conners has resigned the postmastership at Slaughter, King county, W. T., and P. R. Guy has been appointed to fill the vacancy.

EARTHQUAKES.

NOGALES, Ariz., Jan. 5.—A gentleman who has recently visited the scene of the earthquake trouble in Montezuma district, Sonora, says that as winter advances shocks become more frequent and severe. There are now but few people left in Bavispe and vicinity except those who are there for the purpose of investigating the phenomena and soldiers. The place has the appearance of an immense wreck and the volcanic eruption is now daily expected.

SMALL-POX IN SAN FRANCISCO.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 5.—Three new cases of small-pox reported to-day.

CLARA BELLE SHOOTING CASE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 5.—Clara Belle McDonald, charged with attempting to murder her father-in-law, failed to appear in court this morning on account of sickness. The case was continued until this afternoon.

COLLISION—PILOT BOAT LOST.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 5.—Late last night the pilot boat T. H. Allen collided with the bark Sir Wm. Wallace outside the heads. The Allen was sunk. No lives lost. The Allen was worth $12,000. Owners of the lost vessel will not sue the Wallace, they acknowledge that it was an accident.

CHOKED TO DEATH.

CHICO, Cal., Jan. 5.—A little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vittel, while playing about one of the rooms at their residence yesterday, swallowed a large button or bead and choked to death.

EXCESS OF DUTY ON HAY.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 5.—The Secretary of the Treasury has received a letter from T. C. Collin, of Three Rivers, Quebec, inquiring about the report that Congress has appropriated two million dollars for the purpose of settling the claims of hay exporters of Canada for alleged excess of duty paid on hay shipped to the United States. In reply the Secretary says that after careful search he can find no record of Congress taking any such actions.

CANADIAN NEWS.

TORONTO, Jan. 4.—The contest for mayoralty and the by-law to reduce the number of taverns and saloons, as well as liquor licenses to grocerries, resulted in the defeat of the temperance party.

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INCORRECT AND UNRELIABLE

There being unrestricted reciprocity between the Local Government and its apologist, the *Colonist*, in the commodity of pap and taffy, the organ, acting on instructions from its sponsors across the Bay, evades entering into a discussion of the financial position of the province. The data produced in these columns are unanswerable; hence our contemporary prefers indulging in bluster rather than a refutation of the charges laid at the door of the government. No denial is made of the claim made by the Federal Government on the province for the maintenance of the Mounted Police in Kootenay. It will be found during the approaching sessions of the Federal and Provincial parliaments that "correspondence" did take place, and that the question was one of the topics discussed by the Provincial Secretary during his late visit to Ottawa. With brazen effrontry the organ reiterates its statement that the province is in a sound position financially! If so, why was it necessary to borrow a million dollars to pay off the floating liabilities due at the banks and overdue accounts? Why did it become necessary to increase the taxation of the electors by fully fifty per cent., as well as raising the assessable value of property throughout the province? Why is it that of the proceeds of that loan there is not sufficient left to comply with the requirements of the acts granting subsidies passed at last session of the Legislative Assembly? Let our contemporary explain these simple questions for the edification of its readers. We fear that it would be as reasonable to extract blood from a stone as a sensible, or cogent, argument from the *Colonist* that the province was financially sound, for its knowledge of the financial position of the province, undoubtedly is on a par with many other eggregious geographical, historical, biographical and financial blunders it has committed of late. It is paid to misrepresent the truth and this it performs in a manner worthy a better cause.

AN UNFOUNDED CHARGE.

The Hon. J. J. C. ABBOTT, leader of the Senate and Mayor of Montreal whilst on a visit to New York stated that the few annexationists in Canada belonged to the Liberal party. Unfortunately for the Senator's veracity his memory must be failing him as he advances in years. Does he forget that not many years since in his own city of Montreal an annexation document was drawn up and signed by several of the then prominent men in that city. If our memory serves us aright the signatures were arranged in alphabetical order of surnames, and curiously enough the very first signature to the treasonable document is that of J. J. C. ABBOTT—the same gentleman who is now a member of the Dominion Government! So far as known to us he has never expressed contrition for this rash act, nor a change of conviction on the annexation question. It is not many months since Sir DAVID MACPHERSON retired from the Ministry. He was another of the signers of the manifesto. He is replaced by Mr. ABBOTT in order that the annexationist element may be represented. During Sir JOHN's long administration of Canadian affairs he has never been happy without one or more annexationists in his Ministry; amongst these were Sir GEORGE E. CARTIER, Sir JOHN ROSE, and Sir A. T. GALT. The other signers embraced such men as PETER REDPATH, HENRY LYMAN, EDWARD MURPHY, JAMES FERRIER, and others of Conservative proclivities. The late Hon. Mr. LUTHER HOLTON, a Liberal, in a moment of weakness, was induced to sign the document, but afterwards regretted the act and made a complete recantation. Outside of Mr. HOLTON not another prominent Liberal in Canada has ever been charged with any treasonable acts. Our Conservative friends, we regret to say, cannot claim any such record. The majority of those who signed the famous document are still in the land of the living and in the place where there is still hope for their repentance. Three of the signers were subsequently knighted, CARTIER, ROSE and GALT, and it is quite probable that Senator ABBOTT will also receive his reward. At present from the Atlantic seaboard to the Pacific coast, a certain wing of the Conservative party and its press are fiercely assailing Mr. ELLIS, M. P. for St. John, N. B., because the newspaper published by that gentleman stated a few days ago that the annexation of the maritime provinces to the United States would be a simple and easy way of settling the fisheries dispute. Mr. ELLIS certainly has a right to express his opinion on any matter affecting the future of Canada, and surely the organs of avowed annexationists like Mr. ABBOTT and Sir DAVID MACPHERSON are not in a position to find fault with him. Possibly Mr. ELLIS believes that to declare for annexation is the quickest way of securing preference at the hands of Sir JOHN MACDONALD. Who knows but Sir JOHN may soon be asking Mr. ABBOTT to make way for Mr. ELLIS? Judging from precedent it would not be surprising if Mr. ELLIS should be among the next batch of Canadians to receive the honor of knighthood. And his loyalty is probably quite as deep-seated as that of those Tories who will howl at him here for a time before they cross the international boundary and bloom out as full-fledged American citizens.

POLITICAL POINTERS.

Liverpool is alarmed by the report that the London and Northwestern railway company is seriously considering a scheme for developing the Holyhead traffic.

The unfounded rumor of the death of the Emperor of Germany seriously affected the London stock markets temporarily, the re-action extending to Grand Trunk, Canadian Pacific and nearly every other class of shares.

It is officially notified that after the 4th inst. the direct mail service to Newfoundland will cease for the winter, and will be forwarded to Halifax by the Canadian packet from Londonderry.

The Dominion Postoffice Savings Bank statement for the month of November show deposits $682,011, withdrawn, $622,072, balance $19,842,927, which is over two millions more than at the same time last year.

The contest in Queen's County, N. B., will be again between Messrs. G. G. King and G. F. Baird. A new returning officer has been appointed so that if Mr. King obtains a majority of votes this time he will stand a chance of being returned.

The New York *Times'* London correspondent says he never before saw half the amount of drunkenness there was on the streets on Monday and Tuesday night. There was a fight on every corner, big crowds gathering around the combatants but the police did not interfere.

An official handbook issued in London by the Canadian Government with the imprimature of the British Colonial Office, is being much praised for the voluminous, yet concise, information it gives of the Dominion. Special chapters point out the class of emigrants wanted and the class not likely to find employment, in this matter supplying valuable guidance much needed.

Toronto has been claimed to be the model city of the continent. Last Christmas was signalized in that city by unprecedented scenes of drunkenness; that the police stations were crowded and that the magistrates had more work than they could well do! Yesterday, Toronto was the Auburn, to-day it is the Donneybrook of Canada.

In the New York *World's* cablegram from London Labouchere says: The Duke of Sparta, the eldest son of the King and Queen of Greece, who has been studying in Leipsic, is to go to England about the end of May, with the ultimate object of becoming the betrothed of one of the younger daughters of the Prince of Wales. The Duke of Sparta was born in July, 1868. This is one of the results of the great family gathering at Fredensberg.

The Montreal *Star* observes that it is worthy of remark that when a business house fails in any part of the Dominion in these days, the whole or the greater number of the creditors are Canadians. This was not the case some years ago. Then the chief creditors of bankrupt firms lived in Great Britain. This shows that in business as well as in other matters Canada has become less dependent on other countries.

Gen. Middleton, lately was saying nice things about the Canadian militia, but no more than it deserves. Canadians of all nationalities have the bump of order fairly well developed and the militia of the country are, as the Lieut.-General says, very amenable to order. But we must not go too far on that track. Good as the men undoubtedly are, and well as they deserve to be applauded, yet there is a great deal for them to learn. Friendly criticism is better than that praise undeserved which is satire in disguise.

In his speech before leaving England for the continent, Mr. Gladstone gave utterance to a statement that should burn itself into the brain of every friend of Ireland the world over. Here are his words as reported: "Ireland only continued within the boundaries of moderation because she knew that she had friends in England. So long as her moderation continued, so long would the sympathy be continued." That puts the case in a few words and puts it so that while it offers encouragement and hope to Ireland, it tells the men who now are said to be plotting outrages that if they succeed, then farewell to that English sympathy which has been of late the silver lining to the Irish national cloud.

The London *Daily News* declares that Lord Hartington has read himself completely out of the Liberal party by a recent speech of his. Till then there had been a possibility that he might unite with his old associates were the Home Rule matter settled. His defection from Liberalism on other points is a very important political event. It perhaps marks the day from which the Whig secession, so long expected and so long desired by Radicals, will be dated. The Liberal party now becomes an unencumbered Reform party, and its next term of office will, no doubt, witness the destruction of many ancient and new abuses. There is little reason for Radicals to regret the departure of Lord Hartington and his contingent; on the contrary, they may do something for reform in the other camp. They may somewhat Liberalise the Tory party.

—Max O'Rell says:—"Good society, like good hotels, is the same the world over, and when I have spent an evening in some aristocratic house I say, as I depart, 'I've passed a pleasant evening but I've lost my time.'"

Corporation Favoritism.

To THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES:

SIR:—Some weeks since, by arrangement with Coun. Styles, I went to work for the corporation spreading crushed rock on Store street. My agreement with Coun. Styles was that I would keep three carts fully employed in conveying rock from the crusher. The number of carts was increased to four, and occasionally five. Previous to my undertaking the job two men had been employed on the same work. When the carts were increased to five, I asked for additional help. On representing this to Mr. Dewsnap, the city foreman, I was told that unless I alone done the work some one else would have to be procured who could. No; being able to do the work as desired, I resigned the job. That very day Mr. Dewsnap put on a couple of men and withdrew one of the carts, thus reducing the number of carts to three and increasing the men to two. For sixteen days I did the whole work alone, and would continue doing so for three teams; but I was denied the opportunity. I am a pioneer of British Columbia since 1859, as well as a taxpayer in the city, and think the treatment accorded me shabby in the extreme. It appears to myself and others that in order to get work wherewith to provide bread for our families one must be a pet of the Dewsnaps. I can corroborate the correctness of the statements I have made, and would ask the electors of this city, how long they are willing to allow such a state of affairs as I have pointed out to prevail?

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NO. 152.

A BY-LAW

To Regulate the Election of the Mayor and Councillors of the City of Victoria for the year 1888.

[Passed 28th December, 1887.]

WHEREAS, it is provided by law that the nomination for Mayor and Councillors shall be held on the second Monday in January in each year, from 12 m. to 2 p. m., and the polling, if any, on the Thursday following, from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.; and it is further provided that the Council shall, in the month of December in each year, appoint a Returning Officer, and shall also name the polling places and otherwise arrange for the holding of the coming election; and it is further provided that the polling, if any, at such election shall be had and taken at such place or places as the Council shall by By-Law appoint; therefore,

Be it enacted by the Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria as follows:

1. The nomination of Candidates for the respective offices of Mayor and Councillors of the City of Victoria, shall take place at the City Hall in the said City, on Monday, the 9th day of January, 1888.

2. In case a poll shall be demanded at the election of Mayor, the vote of the electors thereon shall be taken by ballot at the City Hall aforesaid, on Thursday, the 12th day of January aforesaid.

3. In case a poll shall be demanded at the election of Councillors for any ward, the vote of the electors thereon shall be taken by ballot on the day aforesaid at the respective places following, that is to say in Johnson street ward at the City Hall aforesaid; in Yates Street Ward at Mr. Sanzison's office, Langley street, and in James Bay Ward at the Hook and Ladder House.

4. Sections 6, 7, 8 and nine of the By-Law cited as the Municipal Elections Regulation and Ballot Act, 1886, and so much of the schedules thereto as are applicable shall be be read with and form part of this By-Law.

5. William K. Bull is hereby appointed the Returning Officer at the said election.

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We have the honor to be,
Sir
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To Hon. J. S. HELMCKEN and OTHERS:

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POWER OF HOPE.

Hope leads the child to plant the flower,
The man to sow the seed,
Nor leaves fulfillment to her hour,
But prompts again to deed.
—Sarah F. Adams.

THREE LINKS IN A CHAIN.

Neither the brush nor the pen, but the lancet and the scalpel, are properly my tools, and yet for an hour past I have been occupied in delineating on the canvas of memory certain scenes that belong to the past. The reverie painted pictures are three in number, and each is vivid, sharply defined and stands conspicuously out in its setting of trivial or exacting circumstance. Have they anything in common, despite their seeming dissociation? I begin to think so. A more dubious problem: If there is indeed a hidden secret link between these events, will the discovery thereof aid or hinder the realization of my dearest hope? I have at present no answer to this question.

The first scene imagination has conjured anew before me with all the exactness of realism reveals the interior of a jeweler's shop in Renford, my native town. It is a fine large business apartment, with its walls lined with cases displaying through their polished glass costly articles of virtu—for Mr. Huntley magnifies his trade, and is a collector—and its counters spread with more cases, holding in dainty nests gold and silver and precious stones, fashioned in many forms of use and ornament. Mr. Huntley's shopman is busy in the front rearranging a portion of the stock; his employer and I are discussing it in the office, semi-partitioned off at the rear, a question of local politics having most of connection with the present narrative. My father is vicar of Renford; and Mr. Huntley, as long as I can recollect, is been vicar's churchwarden—hence a intimacy between us; and although I have commenced the study of medicine, and hope speedily to sever the tie of residence in the quiet western town, I am still interested in local affairs. Suddenly, the shop doors—there are wisely two—open one after the other—the inner one with a sharp like jerk that betokens nervousness or has on the part of the prospective customer. The austere young man who is polishing an enamel brooch deftly replaces it, slips back the case bottom with a subdued click, and waits in an attitude of deferential attention. Standing at right angles to Mr. Huntley's desk, I am facing the shop and the street, and however incurious, am compelled to see and hear what pass.

It is a young girl—she may be 15, she may be older—who has entered, and there is something about her that is strangely attractive. She is a stranger to me, and therefore, perhaps, I observe more particularly the slim, shapely figure, fawnlike in its timidest graceful movements; the pretty pight profile; the clear complexion, with the dark spot, telling of excitement, in the ear of the beautifully moulded cheek; wayward golden curls, that defy the traint of the simple sun hat; and the dress of soft creamy white, which so admirably suits both its owner and the pleasant summer weather. Erect, energetic, with evident sense of humiliation playing like a touch of unconscious hauteur across vision comes back as I write.

"You wish to see the principal, Miss? Did I understand correctly?"

The girl gave a quick nature of assent; the assistant calls his master, and I left with only the occupation of the onlooker.

From a small thread reticule she see produced a bracelet, a ring and one or two other articles, which seemed to have formed part of a fashionable lady's outfit of jewelry. The color deepened on the maiden's face, and I fancying that she is at once proud of her possessions and anxious as to the result of her present enterprise. She has reason for her anxiety, of which it is charitably believe she suspects nothing. I will hold to say that one cannot watch the changing lights and shadows of countenance and think her the originator of willful accomplice of fraud.

"These—what can you offer me for these?" she asks in a low, tremulous voice. "You do buy gems, I believe; these are very valuable, I am told." The tone does not appear to have the smallest appreciation of the fact that a respectable tradesman will hardly make a random offer for jewels that can be thus described without inquiry not only as to the bona fides of the applicant, but as to the authenticity also for the sale.

But this stage is never reached. Mr. Huntley has taken up one after the gleaming wares, and one by one laid them aside after an inspection which has its result in making him momentarily grave and chasing a storm across his forehead. "Have you any idea of the worth of these articles, or of any—any one of them?" he dryly asked.

I think both the assistant and myself instinctively prick up our ears. The girl, too, is startled by his tone. "They have been assured—papa said it—that the stones in this bracelet alone cost £250."

The glance with which she meets Mr. Huntley's keen look is as open as day, and the expression on the jewel face turns to one of pity. "I could give you as many shillings, miss. These are clever imitations, and that all. There is not one genuine among those you have shown me. Mr. Skin, let me have your opinion."

The assistant confirms the unbiased judgment, and does it with a sneer. I felt disposed, though with no validation, to resent.

The crimson tide has ebbed, the girl's cheeks are blanched; her lips quiver, and at first no sound comes from her; her eyes slowly fill with tears, so that she may drop in a swoon, the woman's weakness she does not share. There are seconds of intense suspense for me all. At last there is a stifled cry: "Jack! how could you!"

It is plain that she accepts the situation, and that her thoughts are now busy with the solution of her enigma. For the moment she has gotten her environment, and she murmurs her vain protest against the unknown culprit whose duplicity, I, ever exercised, has plunged her into abyss of shame. Then she stammers an apology, accepts mechanically at Mr. Huntley's hands the shabby bag in which he has gathered, by her permission, the dishonored treasures, and retires. The question if in all Renford there is a heavier heart; and I wonder with eager, palpitating interest, who is "Jack," and what is the precise nature of the nefarious trick he has perpetrated.

Mr. Huntley can explain little—only that Miss Raine and her father (who is said to be an artist) are the new people at Bristol cottage.

The second of these pictures, imprinted so indelibly on the retina of my mind, is widely different in motif and in detail. The place is an ambulance tent, pitched, literally enough, as some of us think, in the wilderness. The Egyptian troubles that began with the riots and rebellion at

Drug Store.

Mr. Blanchard, having purchased Mr. Atwood's interest in the firm of R. Atwood & Co., can be found at his store on Government street, next door to Neufelder & Ross. Drugs, Chemicals, Toilet Articles, Patent Medicines, etc. Prescriptions compounded. M. G. BLANCHARD.*

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—Brass-mounted—A lawyer on horseback.

—FANCY PLUSHES and VELVETS, LINEN COLLARS, HANDKERCHIEFS, &c., in great variety, at the ALBION HOUSE.

—A contemporary speaks of those who "love their fellow-men." A good deal depends upon how they love them. Cannibals prefer them roasted.

—CASHMERE, MERINOS and NEW FANCY DRESS GOODS, cheap for cash, at the ALBION HOUSE.

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—Adam (just after getting acquainted with Eve)—Will you go with me to-night to see the animals? Eve—I have nothing to wear.

—Photographic views along the line of the C. P. R. in B. C., and views of Alaska, for sale at R. MAYNARD's, Douglas St.

—"I cannot say yes, Walter. I shall always be a sis." Sister to me? No, you won't." "Yes, Walter; your brother Charles proposed to me last night and I accepted him.

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REFERENCES—S. D. Pope, Supt. of Education; Noah Shakespeare, M. P.; J. B. Ferguson, John Jessop, D. Spencer, Jas. Hutcheson, T. Walker, Kenneth Co., Bank, Algoma, Iowa, and First National Bank, Algoma, Iowa.

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1887-1888.

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NOTICES.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that a General Meeting of the British Columbia Fire Insurance Company will be held at their office, Wharf street, in the city of Victoria, on Tuesday, the 10th day of January, 1888, at the hour of three o'clock p. m., for the purpose of receiving the Annual Report. By order. E. WILDE,
dec9 td Manager.

NOTICE.

In the matter of the Estate and Effects of WILLIAM BACHELOR, commonly known as FREDERICK REYNOLDS, deceased.

ALL PERSONS indebted to this Estate are required to pay the amounts due forthwith, and all persons who have any claims against the said Estate are required to send the same, on or before the 31st day of January, 1888, to

MESSRS. DAVIE & POOLEY,
Solicitors for
Messrs. John D. Bryant and William McKoon,
Executors.

Dated Victoria, 30th November, 1887. nov30

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that at the next sitting of the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company will apply for leave to introduce and pass a bill enabling them to construct a branch line from a point on their railway between Esquimalt and Goldstream, to a point on the north shore of the Straits of Fuca, between Pedder Bay and Otter Point.

Dated at Victoria, the 29th day of November, A. D., 1887.

CHARLES WILSON,
nov 29-td Solicitor for the applicants.

NOTICE.

KING TYE CO. beg to inform the public that they have secured the services of Lo MONGKOW from October 17th, 1887, to act with LEONG KEE as Interpreter on behalf of the said firm. KING TYE CO.

Victoria, B. C. Oct. 21, 1887. oct24

"Land Registry Ordinance, 1870."

Lot No. 112 in the City of Victoria.

A CERTIFICATE of Indefeasible Title to the above mentioned lot will be issued to William A. Elliott on the 8th day of March, 1888, unless in the meantime a valid objection be made to the undersigned, in writing, by some person claiming an estate or interest in said lot or some part thereof.

CHAS. J. LEGGATT,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office,
Victoria, 8th December, 1887. dec9 td

"Land Registry Ordinance, 1870."

Lots No. 658, 659 and 660 in the City of Victoria.

WHEREAS the Certificate of Title of the Trustees of the Pandora Street Victoria Congregation of the Methodist Church of Canada, to the above mentioned Lots, bearing date the 25th day of February, 1878, has been lost, and application has been made for a duplicate of such certificate; Notice is therefore hereby given that such duplicate will be issued unless cause be shown to the contrary, in writing, within one month from the date hereof.

CHAS. JAS. LEGGATT,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria,
14th December, 1887. dec14 1m

Notice of Private Bills.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a Company for the construction and operation of a line of railway commencing at a point at or near Michel Creek, Crow's Nest Pass, Kootenay District, thence by Elk River to the Kootenay River, thence by way of Cranbrook and the Moorie Pass and Goat River to the lower Kootenay River, in the Province of British Columbia.

ROBERTS & TAYLOR,
Solicitors for Applicants.

Dated 6th December, 1887,
Victoria, B. C. dec17 td

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the firm of J. C. Jones & Co., Brickmakers, James Island, has this day made an assignment of all its goods and effects in trust for the benefit of its several creditors to J. C. Devlin, Victoria, to whom all claims against the said firm must be presented on or before the 20th day of February, 1888.

Victoria, Dec. 19, 1888. dec19 2m

"Land Registry Ordinance, 1870."

Lot 12 and Part of Lot 25, Oakland Estate, being part of Section XXIX-XXX, Vict. Dist.

WHEREAS the Certificate of Title of Charles Fellows, late of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, to the above mentioned property, bearing date the 6th day of June, 1863, has been lost and application has been made for a duplicate of such certificate. Notice is therefore hereby given that such duplicate will be issued unless cause be shown to the contrary, in writing, within one month from the date thereof.

CHAS. JAS. LEGGATT,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria,
21st December, 1887. de21 1m

Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company.

LAND DEPARTMENT.

Notice to Claimants under the "Act Relating to the Island Railway, the Graving Dock and Railway Lands of the Province."

The Company is now prepared to issue Conveyances of Title to all Claimants entitled to the same under the provisions of the above Act, and who have fulfilled the requirements of the British Columbia "Land Act, 1884."

R. DUNSMUIR,
President.

JOHN TRUTCH,
Land Commissioner.

Victoria, B. C., July 25th, 1887. July26

John Meston.

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Leave	A.M.	P.M.		A.M.	P.M.
Leave Victoria	9.00	2.00	VICTORIA	11.00	4.00
Cadboro Bay	9.05	2.05	CADBORO BAY	10.55	3.55
Cordova Bay	9.08	2.08	CORDOVA BAY	10.52	3.52
Cordova Bay	9.10	2.10	CORDOVA BAY	10.50	3.50
Sidney	9.20	2.20	SIDNEY	10.40	3.40
Sidney	9.25	2.25	SIDNEY	10.35	3.35
Deep Cove	9.35	2.35	DEEP COVE	10.25	3.25
Deep Cove	9.40	2.40	DEEP COVE	10.20	3.20
Brentwood	9.50	2.50	BRENTWOOD	10.10	3.10
Brentwood	9.55	2.55	BRENTWOOD	10.05	3.05
Keating	10.05	3.05	KEATING	9.55	2.55
Keating	10.10	3.10	KEATING	9.50	2.50
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Arr. Leave	10.25	3.25	BUSSELTON	9.35	2.35
Arr. Leave	P.M.	P.M.		A.M.	P.M.
Arr. Leave	1.00	4.00	WELLINGTON	8.45	1.45
Arr. Leave	1.05	4.05	WELLINGTON	8.40	1.40
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CITY AND PROVINCE.

—Prime Findon Haddocks—Fell & Co.*

—Winsor & Newton's artists' materials for sale by T. N. Hibben & Co.'s

—A telegram to the daily newspapers from Florida is entitled: "Fell a victim to sharks." This is the first intimation we have had that Florida is overrun with lawyers.

—For your Christmas glassware and crockery John Weller's is the place. *

—They eclipse everything! What do? The Plush Piano Scarfs at Waitt's Music Store. *

—A special line of fancy cups and saucers, at John Weiler's, Fort street. *

—Strange though it may seem, the boy whose nose is kept on the grindstone does not usually make a sharp man.

Really! The Creme de la Creme.

—Pass this by, but do not pass by Waitt & Co.'s stores without going in to examine their stock. *

—Dr. Jackson, Dominion Health Officer, boards the steamer Olympian every morning.

—Eastern Towns'n's Bonzer at Nesfelder & Ross'. *

—Some editors are born philosophers. For example, the Kansas City *Times* man remarks: "Time makes all things even. The rich man can have ice in the summer and the poor man in the winter."

—For all things nice for Christmas go to Fell's. Bon bons, new fruits and nuts.*

—Physician—You seem to be threatened with a fatty degeneration of the heart. Young man—I presume so, as I am engaged to a woman who weighs 314 pounds.

—Inks. Walkden's, Arnold's, Stephens, Antoin's, Carter's, and Sanford's at T. N. Hibben & Co.'s.

—Come out to-night and see the splendid display of Musical Goods, (all suitable for Xmas presents), at M. W. Waitt & Co.'s Music Store. *

—Farmer (to wife who is returned from church)—What was the sermon about? Wife—Su'thin about Joseph goin' daun to Egypt to buy corn? Farmer—Did the dominie say what corn's wu'th daun there?

The only place in the city for a glass of British Beer on draught is the Occidental Hotel. XXX Edinburgh

—Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is recommended by eminent physicians, on both sides of the Atlantic, as the most reliable remedy for colds, coughs, and all pulmonary disorders. Inquire of your druggist for Ayer's Almanac. *

—"A Tripple Wife Murder" is the way a western paper heads an account of a heinous crime. Few people will condemn the accused, as three wives are enough to make most men to anything desperate.

—The children of St. John's Church Sunday School will give a holiday entertainment this evening.

Smoke "Creme de la Creme" Cigars.

—The Canadian Pacific shares were on Tuesday quoted at 61½, so they are maintaining steadily the late great rise of 25 per cent. The Northern Pacific shares are unchanged at 22⅝.

—The following new books are now in stock and can be obtained at the B. C. Stationery Co., next to Postoffice: Canadian almanac, in paper, 15c; do, in cloth, 25c; Pelouvet's select notes on the International S.S. lessons, 1888, cloth, $1.50; Dr. Vincent's commentary on the International S.S. lessons for 1888, $1.50; Hawley Smart's greatest success, Saddle & Sabre, 35c; A Prince of the Blood, by James Payn, 35c; One Traveller Returns, by David Christie Murray, 35c. A Modern Magician, by J. Fitzgerald Molloy, 35c. J. B. Ferguson, Manager.

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Letts' office and Canadian pocket diary, blank books, cap and letter copying books, and a large supply of the many requisites for the incoming year for sale at T. N. Hibben & Co.'s *

Worth Your Notice.

A Beautiful Organ of artistic design has just been received by Thos. Fletcher, Yates street, made by the best American manufacturers. *

Cold Wave.

The cold wave which started on the Atlantic seaboard a few days since took a westerly and southerly course to spread its chilly wings across the continent, from the Gulf of Florida to the Arctic circle, saving no spot from its visitation. For the last couple of days the atmosphere here has been far from being semi-tropical. The blue skies of Southern Italy are visible, but the warmth of old Sol's resplendid orb is lacking. It was chilly last night, and no mistake. The numerous refractory water pipes throughout the city indicate that Jack Frost held high carnival. This morning it was still chilly, the thermometer registering from 15 to 20 above zero. A sharp northerly wind prevailed which intensified the piercing "ozone" in the atmosphere. Only such as were compelled to be out were to be seen on the streets. The stores were almost deserted. Indeed the whole city was under a chill, and trying to keep itself warm. Elsewhere throughout the province the "balmy atmosphere" was rather bracing. At Ashcroft this morning the glass indicated 5 degrees below zero; Clinton 30 below; Bridge Creek 35 below; Soda Creek 36 below; at Quesnelle 35 below zero; Donald 10 below; Revelstoke 6 degrees above; Kamloops 2 above, New Westminster 24 above.

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Fire.

The fire alarm at 10:30 this morning was caused by the roof of Capt. McCullough's residence, James' Bay, catching fire from sparks from the chimney. Capt. McCullough, with a few neighbors, kept the fire under control until the firemen arrived. The department turned out with their usual promptness. The damage was slight.

Reciprocity.

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A Week's Engagement at the Victoria—Splendid Repertoire.

This popular opera company will open a week's engagement at the Victoria on Monday next, when the greatest repertoire of opera will be produced ever witnessed in this city. It will include such operas as "A Night in Venice," "Beggars Student," "Nanon," "The Bat," "Black Mantles," &c., with new and special scenery and new costumes made expressly for these operas. The company played six weeks in Portland, where "A Night of Venice" was the special craze. The *News* of that city says: The reproduction of "A Night in Venice" drew a large and fashionable audience, which was more than enthusiastic and delighted. This is positively Johann Strauss' best effort, the musical numbers being stronger and more of them than in any other opera ever given here. The scenery, costumes, singing and acting of the entire company go to make this the finest operatic production ever witnessed in this city. Mr. Greenfelder received a hearty welcome on his appearance.

Yearly Gems.

The "Yearly Gems" of British Columbia are now ready, at Mrs. R. Maynard's. Ladies who have had their little one's photographs taken at her studio during 1887, and who have not already received one of the Gems, can do so by calling at the photograph studio, Douglas street. *

A Crafty Workman.

On paying a hurried visit to the jewelry manufactory establishment of Mr. W. H. Pennock, Denny's block, Government street, to-day there was observed in process of manufacture a beautiful Masonic past master's jewel, which is to be presented to a deserving brother by his fellow craftsmen this evening. The jewel consists of cross-bars and ribbon scroll with the words "Victoria Columbia Lodge No. 1" engraved thereon. Hanging from this is a representation of the sun, with square and compass inlaid in blue enamel. In the centre is a raised five-point star which is set with eleven diamonds. Suspended from this is the usual Masonic square, with raised chaised edges. The Masonic scroll engraved, hanging from the square is the 47th problem in euclid. Altogether the jewel is a splendid specimen of the artistic workman.

THE MAYORALTY CONTEST.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES:

SIR,—A correspondent in this morning's issue of the *Colonist*, signing himself "Municipal," might as well have given his name as my opponent in the contest for mayor. He asks what I mean by "electors" of Victoria? I may answer that individual by mentioning, as it is well known that I am a candidate for the mayoralty of this city, and as in the published notice it is stated that the meeting is for the purpose of talking over municipal matters with the electors. I look upon the communication as a pretext for my opponent to be conspicuously absent on that occasion. I hope I am mistaken in this opinion.

JOHN GRANT.

On View.

XMAS GOODS FOR THE HOLIDAYS, just opened out—a new lot. At G. W. A. LANGE'S, Jeweler, Government street. *

Our New Year's Number.

Copies of the New Year's edition of THE TIMES are for sale at the office of publication, Yates street. It is the very best possible publication which can be sent abroad as indicating the progress and prosperity of the city and province.

CITY PARLIAMENT.

Last Business Meeting for the Year—Reports Submitted.

The regular weekly meeting of the City Council was held last evening. Present—His Worship Mayor Fell, Couns. Barnard, Grant, Coughlan, Vigelius, Styles, Higgins, Harris and Braden. The minutes of the previous meeting were adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From H. B. Sellick, for permission to use a portion of Government and Douglas streets for building purposes. Granted.

From Major Peters, requesting the use of Jumbo to light the barracks on Monday evening next.

Coun. Styles said it would be difficult to take Jumbo from Church Hill, but there was another engine in the Corporation yard which would do as well as Jumbo. The communication was referred to the Street Committee.

From Frank Campbell, for permission to erect the verandah with the lumber which was knocked down.

Coun. Grant said this case was through an accident over which the owner had no control, and he thought by giving permission the Council would be keeping within the law.

Coun. Coughlan considered that the verandah could be repaired without breaking the law. The Councillor disagreed with the City Surveyor at the meeting of the Fire Wardens, and still considered that the verandah could be legally replaced.

Coun. Barnard moved that permission be granted Mr. Campbell to erect the verandah.

Coun. Higgins said he must be consistent and oppose the motion. The place was a great public benefit, and the speaker had great respect for Mr. Campbell, but when the Council orders the removal of another man's verandah which he had erected since the by-law was passed, it would not be consistent to allow one man to put up a verandah and take workmen and pull down another man's property.

His Worship considered that Mr. Campbell could put up the verandah without referring to the Council.

Coun. Styles would rather see the verandah erected with good lumber, and thought the public had received more benefit from the verandah than Mr. Campbell. It would do no harm to allow the replacing of this very necessary verandah, which was a public benefit.

Coun. Vigelius opposed the erection of the verandah at the last meeting but was willing to allow it to be proceeded with now because a majority of the Council favored it and because it was a public convenience. The motion was carried.

ACCOUNTS.

Amounting to $2,372.53 were read and referred to the Finance Committee.

REPORT.

From street committee recommending that Mr. Gregg be paid 20 cents per cubic yard for grading the sidewalk in front of his property on King's road; that an eight-foot sidewalk be laid on King's road, north side from Saanich road to Fourth street; that a ten-foot sidewalk be laid on the north side of Hillside avenue, from First to Second street; that a six-foot sidewalk be laid on the north side of Meares street, from Cook street eastward; that with reference to the petition of Mr. Goepel for drainage on Simcoe street the committee reported that it was being attended to. Report adopted.

From the Hall Committee, recommending that the Labor Committee be allowed to use the City Hall on Friday evening on payment of $5 for expenses. Adopted.

From Supt. Bloomfield enclosing the following complaint from the whole of the police force:

To Mr. Bloomfield, Supt. of Police:—

SIR,—I am sorry to have to inform you that the men, one and all, complain to me about the new uniforms being too cold to wear this weather, without overcoats. Hoping you will see fit to look into the matter. We remain your ob'dt. servants. (Signed)—H W Sheppard, J W Walker, E Able, John Hawton, Ed Carter, Thomas Robb, Almond Thomas, H H Levin, Thomas Mitten.

Coun. Vigelius moved that the complaint be referred to the Police Committee, and recommended that the officers be supplied with overcoats as soon as possible.

Coun. Higgins said he had so much trouble over the uniforms that he would rather let the Mayor deal with the complaint.

His Worship—I will, most willingly, take charge of it and I will not make as much out of it as it was said you did.

Coun. Higgins said he had read a great deal about these uniforms in the evening paper. He did not intend to take any more notice of these newspaper reports, unless a charge is made and then the case will be taken to the courts.

His Worship said that if any blame was attached to the purchase of these uniforms he must share it with Coun. Higgins. The transaction was one of the fairest ever made by any committee. The only difference between His Worship and Coun. Higgins was that the Mayor wanted *blue pilot cloth*, whilst Coun. Higgins favored the cloth of which the present uniforms was made. These people who complain about not having an opportunity to make the uniforms should have sent in their tenders. The lowest tender had been accepted.

Coun. Styles asked whether Mr. Hargreaves had communicated with the Council regarding his claim for salary.

The Clerk stated that he had received no communication.

His Worship—Mr. Hargreaves has no legal claim against the city for one cent.

Coun. Styles moved that the Clerk notify Messrs. Drake, Jackson & Helmcken regarding the action taken on Mr. Hargreaves' claim at the last meeting of the Council.

FIRE WARDENS' REPORT.

The yearly report of the wardens was read as follows:

VICTORIA, Jan. 3rd, 1888.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:—

GENTLEMEN,—In compliance with the rules and regulations governing the Victoria Fire Department, we have the honor to submit the second annual report, showing the number and names of officers and men in the Fire Department, with their occupations and salaries; the number of fires during the past year; an inventory of property in the different houses, and a few recommendations which should receive the earnest attention of the incoming council.

The fire record during the past year has been very small. The officers and members have been most assiduous, and are deserving of great praise for their prompt and energetic work.

A large number of new buildings have been erected in various portions of the city very distant from the engine houses. It is not generally known that no means of reaching these sections of the city with fire hose has been provided excepting with hose carts drawn by the men belonging to the companies. The engine is drawn by horses, and reaches a fire far in advance of the hose carts. The city council passed a resolution some time ago to purchase a horse and hose cart. Your fire wardens earnestly recommend that these necessary adjuncts be purchased as soon as possible.

A large number of buildings were recently erected in the central or business portion of this city, many of them reaching three, four and five stories in height. These buildings are out of the firemen's reach with the ladders at present in use. The incoming council should procure an extension truck.

The water supply is altogether inadequate, and, as a good supply of water is one of the main factors in suppressing fires, your fire wardens hope to find this city provided with a good water supply during the present year.

During the past summer a serious conflagration occurred in the Vancouver Coal mine at Nanaimo. At the request of the manager we sent 2,000 feet of fire hose to that city. Shortly afterwards the Vancouver Coal Company ordered 2,000 feet of new carbolized hose from Toronto, and replaced the hose furnished by this city with the new hose.

The fire alarm system is very defective, causing considerable delay and confusion. A proper alarm system is urgently needed.

During the past year the fire department received 1,500 feet of new hose. One thousand feet from Messrs. T. McIlhiney & Son, Toronto, and five hundred feet from Messrs. Merryweather & Sons, London. The department is well equipped in this respect, as will be seen by referring to the inventory.

The police deserve great credit for assisting the fire department.

The number of fires and alarms during the year were twenty-nine, and the amount of damage $42,750.

The report also contains a list of the officers and members, showing the amount that each receive monthly as follows: Chief engineer, $25.35; assistant chief, $25; foremen, $18.25; engine drivers, $69; hose driver, $60; hosemen and hook-and-ladder men, $14. The pay sheet totals $591.05.

An inventory of property belonging to the brigade accompanied the report.

The report is signed by

L. VIGELIUS,
J. COUGHLAN, } Fire Wardens.
D. W. HIGGINS.

The cemetery report was read by the clerk, who is also secretary of the Ross Bay Cemetery. The total interments for the year were 216, of which 141 were males and 75 females, showing a decrease as compared with the previous year of 18 males, an increase of 18 females or a total increase over the previous year of two burrials. The nationalities were likewise given. (These were published in our New Year's edition.)

SANITARY REPORT.

Dr. Milne submitted the following report on the sanitary condition of the city:

VICTORIA, Dec. 20th, 1887.

To His Worship the Mayor and the City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—I herewith beg to submit my annual report on the sanitary condition of the city for the year, with the number of deaths and the causes of each, which have occurred during the past year. In my last report I drew attention to the fact that the death rate had notably decreased. This year again the number of deaths are less than that of last year. I give below the number of deaths for the year, as furnished by me monthly to the Dominion Statistical Office at Ottawa:

Month.	No. of Deaths.
December, 1886	16
January, 1887	23
February, "	18
March, "	18
April, "	17
May, "	17
June, "	16
July, "	13
August, "	15
September, "	16
October, "	20
November, "	21
Total	210

Making a total of 210 deaths during the past twelve months just ended, with a death rate of 17½ per each 1,000 of the population. Death was caused from the following diseases:

Disease of the nervous system	20
Disease of the lungs	33
Disease of the heart	20
Disease of the kidneys	12
Disease of the digestive organs	20
Disease of the liver	10
Disease of the blood	5
Premature development	11
Killed by accident	11
Cancer	2
Fevers	9
Zymotic diseases	3
Alcoholism	3
Total	210

The general health of the citizens has been good during the year, although during the last two months measles has been prevalent, which has increased the death rate somewhat, the deaths from this disease occurring chiefly among the Indians. I have also to note that the number of cases of insanity reported are much less than last year. In conclusion, I would suggest that the city authorities should obtain power to authorize the Health Officer and Sanitary Officer to make periodic inspection of all dairies, and that the dairymen and vendors of milk should be registered, giving their place of residence, number of cows kept, etc., and also that they should report to the proper authorities all cases of contagious animal diseases occurring amongst their cattle. I would also suggest that a system of trapping the inlet to street drains be adopted, with proper ventilation of drains running into and along the streets. These drains should not be ventilated into the sewers but at the adjacent buildings, and also the outlets of the vents should be up to the roof clear of the cornices, chimneys and windows.

I have the honor to remain,
Your obedient servant,
G. L. MILNE, M.D., C.M.,
Health Officer.

His Worship wished to be informed regarding the office of Police Magistrate which was vacant since the 1st of January. His Worship was willing to adjudicate until the end of his term.

Coun. Grant said that he knew of one gentleman who was in the city and had filled the position of magistrate in Nanaimo. The councillor referred to Mr. Plants.

Coun. Higgins wished to know whether the present was the last meeting of the Council. According to the Municipalities Act passed last session the Speaker did not think this would be the last meeting.

His Worship—The less you say about that Act the better. Judge Begbie upset it.

Coun. Barnard—He is not infallible.

His Worship—No, neither are some of your lawyers.

Coun. Grant read the law which gave the Council power to expend last year's revenue.

Couns. Harris, Barnard and Braden spoke in favor of the drainage of Niagara Street, James Bay, and the Councillors considered that this necessary work should be immediately proceeded with.

Coun. Styles wished to know how the tenderers for opening the drains for water pipes were situated.

His Worship—I told you not to open the tenders. The work is in the same condition as others. Coun. Harris' motion to prevent issuing pawnbroker's licenses to Chinese was also unconstitutional.

Coun. Higgins—The Chinese Restriction Act was constitutional and an Act to prevent the issuing of pawnbroker's licenses to Chinese would be constitutional.

The Council then adjourned.

Friday Night's Meeting.

We are requested to state that Messrs. John Grant and D. W. Higgins, candidates for the Mayoralty, have been invited to address the meeting of citizens to be held in the City Hall on Friday night to secure a visit to Victoria from the Royal Labor Commissioners, also to discuss municipal and other public questions.

Badly Injured.

A. W. Lawson, the well known hackman, fell from a hack near Beacon Hill and received a terrible cut on his head. Dr. Duncan, of "C" Battery, attended the injured man. He was conveyed to the French hospital.

Skates! Skates!

A large assortment of Acme and wooden skates in all sizes at H. Short's. *

Passengers Arriving.

Per steamer Rainbow from New Westminster: Stoits, Jas Hossack, LeCroix, Mrs LeCroix, Mathers and others.

Per str. Yosemite from New Westminster: T D Lindsay, Col McGregor, J C Vermelyea, W London, C Johnson, Hancock and others.

By the Princess Louise from Vancouver: Miss E Jenkins, J Morrison, W B Bladwell, Robt Hall, S Hartley, W Porter, N McLeod, Jos Ramsey, J McWhinney, Miss Laura Lee, J Wulfsohn, L Mango, D J Bulgannon.

Per the Olympian from the Sound to-day: J Macintosh, Miss J Gilbert, J Sullivan, R J Ethridge and wife, E Millington, F Miller, B Whittaker, J Johnson, B Orsha, G Bynes, Frankell, J J Sisson, I Allen, R Whitby, Mrs Meek, J McCurdy and daughter, 1 Indian and 2 children, and 4 Chinamen.

Consignees.

Per the Olympian from the Sound to-day: Solinsky restaurant, T L Wright, J St Helens, M W Waitt & Co, R Atwood, T C Davies, S Hoffmeister, J Sayward, H Mosell, G W Biggs, Mrs J F Walls, M B & Tpo, J W Weir.

Board of Trade.

An important meeting of the Board of Trade will be held to-morrow (Friday) afternoon, at 3 o'clock, when business of much moment will come up for consideration. A full attendance of members is expected on that occasion.

—Two Virginia girls distinguished themselves by carrying two kegs of powder from a burning building. Some men have been known to extinguish themselves in the same way.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER

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This powder never varies. A marvel of purity strength and wholesomeness. More economical than the ordinary kinds, and cannot be sold in competition with the multitude of low test, short weight alum or phosphate powders. SOLD ONLY IN CANS. ROYAL BAKING POWDER Co. 106 Wall Street, New York.

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SPLIT CEDAR POSTS OF Superior Quality and unlimited quantity for sale Cheap by applying to W. McDOWELL,
Or to W. SNIDER, Tyrack and Drayman, at Sayward's Mill.
Spring Ridge. ja5 1m

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DISPATCH A STEAMER
Every Saturday for San Francisco
Leaving the outer wharf at One o'clock p.m.

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Shippers must notify us when room for freight is required.

No Freight received after 5 p. m. Friday, 6th January.
WELCH, RITHET & CO.,
Wharf Street, Victoria. nov30

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For Diamond, Engagement and Wedding Rings
GO TO
W. H. PENNOCK,
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Practical Jeweller,
And have them made as you like them.
Remember the place:
Up-Stairs in Denny's Block,
GOVERNMENT STREET.
Best Quality, Latest Style and Reasonable Prices.
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B. C. Benevolent Society.

THE annual meeting of the above society will be held at the Police Court Room, City Hall, on Friday, 14th instant, at 2:30 p. m., when the annual report will be presented. A full attendance of subscribers and of those interested in the society is earnestly requested.
W. H. MASON,
jan 4 td Hon. Sec.-Treas.

NOTICE.

APPLICATION will be made at the coming session of the Legislative Assembly for an Act to incorporate J. C. Ainsworth, George J. Ainsworth and John S. Baker, under the name of "The Columbia and Kootenay Railway and Transportation Company," for the purpose of running a line of steamers from a point on Kootenay River at or near the place where the southern boundary line of British Columbia intersects the said river, up the said river and through the said Kootenay Lake to its outlet, and for constructing and operating a line of railway from Kootenay Lake to the Columbia River, and for operating a line of steamers up the Columbia to the head of navigation.
DRAKE, JACKSON & HELMCKEN,
jan 4 6w Solicitors for Applicants.

MUNICIPAL NOTICE.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO the Electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, that I require the presence of the said Electors at the City Hall, on Monday, the 9th day of January, 1888, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the purpose of electing persons to represent them in the Municipal Council as Mayor and Councillors.

The Candidate shall be nominated in writing; the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the Municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of the notice and 2 P. M., of the day of nomination, and in the event of a poll being necessary such poll will be opened on Thursday the 12th day of January, 1888.

For Mayor, at the City Hall.

For Johnson Street Ward at the City Hall.

For Yates Street Ward, at Mr. Sargison's office, Langley Street.

For James Bay Ward, at the Hook and Ladder House.

Of which every person is required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

Given under my hand at Victoria the 3rd day of January 1888.
W. E. BULL,
jan3td Returning Officer.

Tenders are Invited for

THE HULL AND MACHINERY FOR A STEAM LAUNCH, 35 feet long. Plans and specifications to be seen at the office of Sprent & Gray, Rock Bay, Victoria. Tenders will be received until January 10th, 1888. d31

PUBLIC MEETING.

JOHN GRANT

Respectfully invites the Electors of this city to meet at the

City Hall, on Saturday, next,

At Eight, P. M.,

To talk over Municipal matters, and invites candidates for Municipal honors to be present.
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

OVERCOATS!

Clearing : Out : Overcoats

Boys' Overcoats, all at $3.00 Each.
Youths' Overcoats, from $4.00 Each.
80 Men's Overcoats, at $6, $8 and $10 Each.

The above would be splendid value at $10, $12 and $14 Each.

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CHEAP VARIETY STORE
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J. P. DAVIES & CO.,
AUCTIONEERS.

WEDNESDAY, 18th JAN., 1888.

WE have been instructed to sell by Public Auction by order of J. C. Prevost, Esq., Registrar of the Supreme Court,

AT 11 O'CLOCK, A. M.,

The Estate of Charles Patrick Donnelly, (deceased Intestate).

All that piece or parcel of land and excellent business site at Harrison River, known as Lot 19 A, G. L. in the Yale-Lytton District, B. C., containing Two and One-Half Acres, more or less, situated near the junction of Harrison and Fraser Rivers.

—TERMS CASH—
JOSHUA DAVIES,
dec17-td Auctioneer.

GEO. BYRNES,
AUCTIONEER.

AUCTION.

24th January, at 11 A. M.

Estate of Jas. Bryden,
(DECEASED.)

Farm at North Saanich.

I have been instructed by Mr. Henry Brethour, devisee and executor of the late James Bryden, to sell by Auction, on the premises, North Saanich, the

FREEHOLD PROPERTY

of deceased, consisting of a farm at North Saanich, being Sec. 19 and 20, Range 2, containing 160 acres of land, more or less. This property is situate about one-fourth of a mile from the Saanich Wharf, and partly fenced, dwelling house and out-buildings. Twenty-five acres are cleared. Also, two Work Horses, ten Sheep, one Dump Cart, one Spring Cart, Plough, &c., &c., one Two-Horse-Power Threshing Machine. Household Effects and last season's Crop.

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The undersigned have concluded to close their business in Victoria at an early date, and offer for sale

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TAKE TICE

That an application made to the Parliament of Canada session for an Act to amend the Act by extending the Okanagan Railway and completion of time for the comm reasing the amount the said railway, authorized to issue to which the Act amendments as to bonds, and for Parliament seon ember, 1887.
Dated this 1st N & McPHILLIPS,
ors for the Company.
ja4 2m

For the Mayoralty.

TO THE MUNICIPAL ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—

I beg to announce myself as a candidate for Mayor at the coming election, and will take an early opportunity to make my views known. In the meantime respectfully solicit your votes.
dec15td JOHN GRANT.

For Mayor.

To the Ratepayers of Victoria City.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I respectfully offer myself as a candidate for the position of Mayor. Having served two terms as Councillor of James Bay Ward, and having made municipal institutions a careful study for several years, I feel confident that, if elected, I shall be able to discharge the duties of the position in a constitutional and acceptable manner.
Yours truly,
dec30 td D. W. HIGGINS.

FOR THE COUNCIL

To the Electors of Johnson Street Ward:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—

Have been requested by many electors in Johnson street Ward, which I had the honor of representing in 1885, to again offer myself as a candidate. I have consented to do so, and respectfully solicit your votes and influence. I entertain the hope that my record as a Councillor and as a citizen have been such that you will again elect me.
Respectfully yours,
M. HUMBER.
Vict., Dec. 22. de23

To the Ratepayers of James Bay Ward:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

Having been requested by a large number of ratepayers, I hereby announce myself a Candidate for Councillor for James Bay Ward.
GEO. POWELL.
d td

To the Electors of Yates Street Ward:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

I respectfully announce myself as a candidate for re-election as a Councillor for Yates Street Ward. Trusting that my actions during the years have met with the approval of the electors I respectfully solicit a continuance of your confidence.
jt td LOUIS VIGELIUS.

To the Electors of Yates Street Ward:

I beg to announce myself as a Candidate for Councillor for Yates Street Ward, and respectfully solicit your votes and influence.
J. B. ANDERSON.
Victoria, Dec. 31, 1887. ja3td

To the Ratepayers of Johnson Street Ward:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

I respectfully solicit a renewal of your confidence as Councillor for your Ward.
ja3td JOHN COUGHLAN.

To the Ratepayers of James Bay Bay Ward:

I beg to announce myself as a Candidate for James Bay Ward, and respectfully solicit a renewal of your confidence.
FRANK S. BARNARD.
Victoria, B. C., January 4th, 1888. ja4td

ANDREW GRAY
Is a Candidate
For Councillor in Johnson St. Ward
And Solicits a Vote.
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JOHN ROBERTSON
Is a Candidate for
Councillor for Johnson St. Ward
And Solicits the Votes of the Electors.
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Will sail from Spratt's Wharf
ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 6th,
AT 6 O'CLOCK P. M.,
For Fort Simpson and all way ports.
For freight or passage, apply to
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de29td Wharf Street.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

JULIUS BARRAN,
Our leading sole heir of the Famous
Cambridge Sausage
In Victoria begs to thank his customers for past favors and hopes to continue manufacturing the best articles in his line of business. With best regards and
WISHING ALL A HAPPY NEW YEAR